

2016-17

MICHIGAN SCHOOL INDEX SYSTEM PREVIEW



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Michigan School Index System Preview – Now Available!

Embargoed 2016-17 accountability reports and student datafiles for the new Michigan School Index System are now available for review to authorized Secure Site users at: www.mi.gov/oeaa-secure. Since the Michigan School Index System is brand new, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is providing schools and districts a **month-long courtesy preview** of the new reports and datafiles to allow them to become more familiar with this information before its public release later this spring.

Embargoed and Protected Data

Please be advised that all 2016-17 school index Accountability Report information and accountability student data are to remain embargoed until the MDE publicly releases this information. Even upon the lift of the embargo of the accountability data later this spring, files downloaded from the Secure Site contain FERPA-protected data and as such may **never** be shared publicly. There will be statewide, public versions of the school Accountability Report file containing information on all Michigan schools available at www.mi.gov/mde-accountability once the accountability embargo has been lifted. Districts that do not respect the embargo may lose preview privileges in the future.

Accountability Issues

During the preview window, issues or concerns regarding accountability data can be securely communicated and submitted by authorized users through the Accountability Issues portion of the Secure Site. Accountability Issues may be submitted in the Secure Site until **5:00PM Monday, March 26**.

Please be aware that only issues relating to how data are aggregated will be able to be considered at this point in the data cycle. Issues relating to the data quality of source data for the various Index System components will not be considered during the Index System preview window. This is because each data component included in the Index System has had its own submission/review window, in its respective source data system, and any issues with those data needed to be addressed during those windows. All source data are considered accurate and final at the time of the Index System preview window and no further requests to change to these data will be considered.

Informational Materials and Links

Please review the following materials designed to help describe the new Michigan School Index System and how to access and understand the new reports and datafiles.

Resource Topic	Resource Name	Resource Description
System Description	2017 Michigan School Index System Policy Brief	One-page overview of the new system.
	2017 Michigan School Index Overview Presentation	Set of slides that provide an overview of the index system.
	2017 Michigan School Index System Guide	Provides in depth information on all index system components, including details on how calculations are performed.
	2017 Michigan School Index System Business Rules	Technical resource manual providing highly detailed instructions on how Michigan School Index System values were computed.

Resource Topic	Resource Name	Resource Description
	2017 Index System Targets by Component Area	Provides a spreadsheet of statewide performance targets by area for each component of the Michigan School Index System.
Accessing Reports & Data	Secure Site	Authorized users may now login here to view index reports and accountability student datafiles. Unauthorized users may request access to the site from their district administrator within the Secure Site.
	Instructions on Accessing and Downloading Accountability Files in Secure Site	Provides help on locating and downloading 2016-17 accountability information.
Understanding Reports & Data	School Index Report Diagrams and Use Instructions	Provides diagrams of a sample index report and explains the layout and major components to help navigating a accountability report preview file from the Secure Site.
	Index System Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)	Provides a list of frequently asked questions covering everything about the index system from components to support identification.
	Index Example Calculator	Shows sample index and component values, calculation steps, and allows you interact with it to see how actual or hypothetical values impact the overall school index.
	Instructions on Working with Accountability Student Datafiles	Provides instructions on filtering and working with your accountability student datafiles.
	Data Dictionary for Accountability Student Datafiles	Provides a file layout and field descriptions for both accountability student datafiles.
School Identification for Supports and Improvement	Comprehensive Support and Improvement Policy Brief	Overview of the "Comprehensive Support and Improvement" support category.
	Targeted Support and Improvement Policy Brief	Overview of the "Targeted Support and Improvement" support category.
	Additional Targeted Support Policy Brief	Overview of the "Additional Targeted Support" support category.

Support and Contact Information

If you have questions or concerns regarding the index system or your school data, please contact us using the secure "Accountability Issues" submission feature in the Secure Site.

For more general support and information, you may contact us at: MDE-Accountability@michigan.gov or 1-877-560-8378, option 3.